

AGENDA

TOURISM EXPENDITURE REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday,

June 1, 2015, Market Pointe Extension (300A Outlet Pointe Boulevard, Columbia, SC)

10 a.m. SC Department of Revenue

Blue Ridge Conference Room

1. **Review/Approve Minutes from March 23, 2015 meeting**

2. Administrative Tasks:

- **Completion of Travel Vouchers and check reimbursements-** SEE EXAMPLE (Please remember that meal reimbursements taken for a trip where no overnight stay is required are reported to the State as taxable income.

3. **Updates/Review/Discussion**

- Update from TERC staff attorney John Hoefer

Letter sent to AG's office by Chairman Ed Riggs requesting answers to TERC's role in 30% funds.

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Legislative updates/concern

City of Seneca- TERC requested more information regarding an expenditure of funds used to promote a museum project. The expenditure was for a luncheon, and TERC thought that it may not be an appropriate expenditure. When questioned, the City admitted that it was not the best use of funds and requested that it be allowed to reimburse its atax account from general funds before TERC voted. We discussed this with John Hoefer who stated that legally it was appropriate. Therefore, Seneca filed an amended report (on file) and the change will also be reflected in its report when it files in October.

Town of Goose Creek: Request to use funds to promote private golf course. See attached.

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- **Review New FY 13-14 Reports-**

The following have yet to report: Berkeley County (has not answered calls or emails), Chesterfield County (report coming), City of Clinton (has not answered calls or emails), Colleton County (has not answered calls or emails), Dillon County, (has not answered calls or emails) Goose Creek (request from City to allow them to wait to file until SCDOR has their allocations corrected. They are currently receiving too much in distributions- see attached)., Jasper County (has not responded to calls or emails) Orangeburg County (has not responded to calls or emails), Springdale (has not responded to calls or emails).

Joy, Mark- Kershaw County

Dan, Kevin- Walterboro

Olivia, John and Glen -

Ed, Doug- Town of St. George

Review of Responses from Letters Questioning Various Items on Reporting Forms:

Joy, Mark- Town of Cheraw, Cherokee County, City of Spartanburg – met via phone with Chairman Riggs and Damita Jeter. After some discussion, the City stated they would not be funding the Hmong American Association and Order of the Eastern Stars again.

Dan, Kevin- Pawley's Island – after a phone call from Kevin Yokim, Mrs. Jeter received an email stating that the Town will not need to revise the current form, but going forward on future forms they should report a separate line on Side B for the transfer from the General Fund so they don't continue to have a negative balance carrying forward.

Olivia, John and Glen - City of Easley- Mrs. Jeter spoke to the mayor who said he was still working on getting coding information sorted. They have a new finance manager who is working on this project. The mayor asked for an extension on this project. Pickens County-Through correspondence, Mrs. Jeter determined that Pickens County did indeed fund the Big League World Series as its 30 percent recipient. The County emailed Mrs. Jeter and stated that the finance director would be looking to council for guidance on how to fund this in the future so it is appropriate. .

Ed, Doug- none

Other Business and Set Next Meeting Date